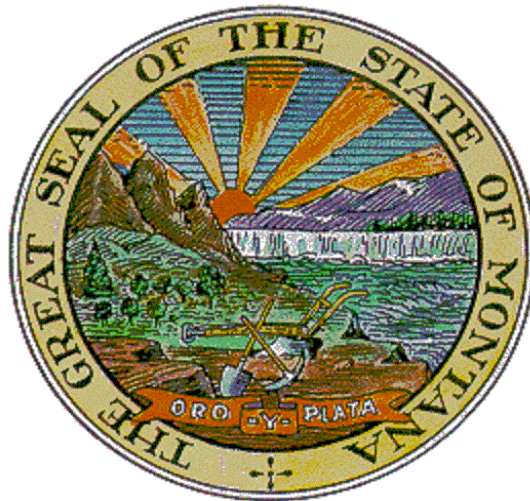


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TITLE 2
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PART 17

2-15-1765. Board of plumbers. (1) There is a board of plumbers.

(2) The board consists of nine members appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate. The members are:

(a) two master plumbers and two journeyman plumbers who are 18 years of age or older, who have been residents of this state for more than 1 year, and who have been duly licensed master or journeyman plumbers at least 5 out of the last 8 years immediately preceding their appointment;

(b) one registered professional engineer qualified in mechanical engineering;

(c) three representatives of the public who are not engaged in the business of installing or selling plumbing equipment; and

(d) one representative of the department of environmental quality, who must have experience in the regulation of drinking water systems.

(3) The appointed members of the board shall serve for terms of 4 years.

(4) The board is allocated to the department for administrative purposes only as prescribed in [2-15-121](#).

History: (1) thru (3)En. 82A-1602.22 by Sec. 359, Ch. 350, L. 1974; Sec. 82A-1602.22, R.C.M. 1947; (4)En. 82A-1602 by Sec. 1, Ch. 272, L. 1971; amd. Sec. 10, Ch. 250, L. 1973; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 285, L. 1973; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 57, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 58, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 84, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 99, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 354, Ch. 350, L. 1974; Sec. 82A-1602, R.C.M. 1947; R.C.M. 1947, 82A-1602(part), 82A-1602.22; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 549, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 22, Ch. 247, L. 1981; MCA 1979, ; redes. by Sec. 4, Ch. 274, L. 1981; amd. Sec. 10, Ch. 418, L. 1995; amd. Sec. 13, Ch. 546, L. 1995; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 57, L. 1999; Sec. , MCA 1999; redes. by Sec. 221(2), Ch. 483, L. 2001.

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Chapter Cross-References

- Construction contracts, Title 18, ch. 2.
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Part 1

General

37-69-101. Definitions. Unless the context requires otherwise, in this chapter, the following definitions apply:

- (1) "Board" means the board of plumbers provided for in 2-15-1765.

(2) "Department" means the department of labor and industry provided for in Title 2, chapter 15, part 17.

(3) "Drainage system" means all the piping inside the walls of a building that conveys sewage or other liquid wastes outside the building to the building sewer but that does not extend more than 2 feet outside the building way.

(4) "Field of plumbing" means the business, trade, or work having to do with the installation, removal, alteration, or repair of plumbing and drainage systems or parts of plumbing and drainage systems.

(5) "Journeyman plumber" means a person who is authorized to make installation of all sanitary plumbing and potable water supply piping and appliances connected to the plumbing and piping.

(6) "Master plumber" means a person who is authorized by this chapter to plan, estimate, bid, contract for, and supervise plumbing work and who may do the work of a journeyman plumber.

(7) (a) "Plumbing system" means all potable water supply and distribution pipes, plumbing fixtures and traps, drainage and vent pipes, and building drains, including their respective joints and connections, devices, receptacles, and appurtenances within the property lines of any premises, up to 20 feet beyond the building foundation line, and includes potable water piping, water heaters, and vents for the premises.

(b) The term does not include water services installed and maintained by water districts or water user associations in which water service is installed by any qualified person appointed or hired by the administrative authority of the water system.

(8) "Public sewer system" means any common sewer carrying liquid wastes from two or more dwellings or any other facility that serves the public.

(9) "Public water supply" means any community well, water hauler for cisterns, water bottling plant, water dispenser, or other water supply that serves 10 or more families or 25 or more persons on a regular and continuous basis.

History: En. 66-2401.1 by Sec. 227, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 497, L. 1975; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2401.1; amd. Sec. 4, Ch. 549, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 274, L. 1981; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 661, L. 1985; amd. Sec. 152, Ch. 483, L. 2001.

37-69-102. Permanent and temporary exceptions. (1) Licensure is not required in the following instances of plumbing installation:

(a) when an owner of a single-family residence used exclusively for the owner's personal use installs all sanitary plumbing and potable water supply piping or when a mobile home dealer or a manufactured housing dealer connects a mobile home or a manufactured house to existing sanitary and potable water supply facilities as part of delivering and setting up a mobile home for a purchaser;

(b) in any mine, mill, smelter, refinery, or railroad;

(c) in a farm or ranch not connected to public water supply and sewage disposal systems. For the purposes of this subsection (1)(c), a "farm or ranch" means the same as in 39-3-402.

(d) in cities, towns, water districts, and water user associations extending, repairing, or replacing their own water and sewer mains;

(e) installation of water conditioner services in private dwellings;

(f) minor work by employees or agents of an appliance dealer incidental to the installation of an appliance purchased from the dealer;

(g) installation of a water meter by a qualified person appointed by the administrative authority of the water system; and

(h) in the case of a private water supply, installation of the pump, waterline, or pressure tank, regardless of whether the pump, waterline, or pressure tank is located inside or outside the structure being served.

(2) This chapter may not be construed to apply to or to affect plumbing installations in any mines, mills, smelters, refineries, public utilities, railroads, or plumbing installations on farms or ranches not connected to public water supply or sewage disposal systems.

(3) If a licensed person is not available, the council or commission of a county, city, or town or the board of directors or managers of a water or sewer district or water utility may, by ordinance, rule, or resolution, authorize an unlicensed person to perform plumbing work on a temporary basis if:

(a) the council, commission, or board of directors has provided reasonable notice by certified letter to the board; and

(b) the board has approved the temporary authorization or has failed to respond to the certified letter required under subsection (3)(a) within 30 days of the letter's postmark.

(4) The council, commission, board of directors, or board shall withdraw the temporary authorization provided for in subsection (3) when a licensed person is reasonably available.

History: (1)En. Sec. 1, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 185, L. 1961; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 497, L. 1975; Sec. 66-2401, R.C.M. 1947; (2)En. Sec. 15, Ch. 251, L. 1959; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 44, L. 1973; amd. Sec. 12, Ch. 497, L. 1975; Sec. 66-2426, R.C.M. 1947; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2401(2), 66-2426; amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 661, L. 1985; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 361, L. 1999.

Cross-References

Exceptions to plumbing installation requirements, 50-60-503.

Exceptions to penalty for violation of plumbing installation requirements, 50-60-515.

37-69-103. No penalty for hiring unlicensed plumber. This chapter may not be construed as imposing any penalty on any unlicensed person for hiring or contracting with an unlicensed person to do work in the field of plumbing. However, any person who himself engages in the field of plumbing at a time when he is not duly licensed is subject to the penalties imposed by this chapter.

History: En. Sec. 4, Ch. 251, L. 1959; amd. Sec. 8, Ch. 497, L. 1975; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2415; amd. Sec. 27, Ch. 22, L. 1979.

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Part Cross-References

Right to know, Art. II, sec. 9, Mont. Const.

Open meetings, Title 2, ch. 3, part 2.

Meeting defined, 2-3-202.

Adoption and publication of rules, Title 2, ch. 4, part 3.

Public records, Title 2, ch. 6.

Allocation of boards for administrative purposes, 2-15-121.

Quasi-judicial boards, 2-15-124.

Board established, 2-15-1765.

Preservation of records, Title 22, ch. 3, part 2.

Duties of Department, Director, and boards, Title 37, ch. 1, part 1.

Duty of Department to keep records, 37-1-101.

Disrupting meeting as disorderly conduct, 45-8-101.

37-69-201. Presiding officer. The board shall annually select a presiding officer from its members.

History: (1)En. Sec. 3, Ch. 251, L. 1959; amd. Sec. 235, Ch. 350, L. 1974; Sec. 66-2414, R.C.M. 1947; (2)En. Sec. 9, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 234, Ch. 350, L. 1974; Sec. 66-2409, R.C.M. 1947; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2409(1), 66-2414(part); amd. Sec. 73, Ch. 492, L. 2001.

37-69-202. Rulemaking power -- records. (1) The board may adopt rules necessary to carry out this chapter.

(2) The board shall adopt rules for the transaction of its business, and the department shall keep a record of the board's official actions.

History: (1)En. Sec. 9, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 234, Ch. 350, L. 1974; Sec. 66-2409, R.C.M. 1947; (2)En. Sec. 3, Ch. 251, L. 1959; amd. Sec. 235, Ch. 350, L. 1974; Sec. 66-2414, R.C.M. 1947; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2409(2), 66-2414(part).

37-69-203. Compensation of board members -- expenses. A member of the board is entitled to compensation and travel expenses as provided for in 37-1-133.

History: En. Sec. 3, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 16, Ch. 251, L. 1959; amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 185, L. 1961; amd. Sec. 143, Ch. 147, L. 1963; amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 186, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 229, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 39, Ch. 439, L. 1975; amd. Sec. 4, Ch. 497, L. 1975; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2403(1); amd. Sec. 34, Ch. 474, L. 1981.

Part 3

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Part Cross-References

Licensing to follow contested case procedure, 2-4-631.

Duty of Department to administer and grade examinations, 37-1-101.

Duty of Board to adopt and enforce licensing and certification rules, 37-1-131.

Licensing boards to establish fees commensurate with costs, 37-1-134.

Licensing investigation and review -- record access, 37-1-135.

Grounds for disciplinary action as grounds for license denial -- conditions to new licenses, 37-1-137.

Licensure of criminal offenders, Title 37, ch. 1, part 2.

Nondiscrimination in licensing, 49-3-204.

37-69-301. License required. (1) Except as provided in 37-69-102, a person working at the field of plumbing in this state, either as a master plumber or as a journeyman plumber, shall first obtain a license as provided in Title 37, chapter 69, part 3.

(2) A person who receives a license under the provisions of this chapter shall carry the license, or proof of licensure, at all times while working on a job site and performing work that requires a license. Acceptable proof of licensure must be determined by the board and made known by the department to each licensee when a license is issued.

History: En. Sec. 1, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 185, L. 1961; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 497, L. 1975; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2401(1); amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 661, L. 1985; amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 361, L. 1999; amd. Sec. 5, Ch. 402, L. 1999.

Cross-References

"Registered mail" to include registered or certified mail, 1-1-202.

Metropolitan sanitary and/or storm sewer districts, Title 7, ch. 13, part 1.

Municipal sewage and/or water systems, Title 7, ch. 13, part 43.

37-69-302. Apprenticeship allowed. This chapter does not prohibit a person from working as an apprentice in the trade of plumbing with a plumber licensed by the department under the supervision of a licensed journeyman plumber. Only those apprentices registered with the department of labor and industry will be recognized by the department. The name and residence of each apprentice and the names and residences of their employers shall be filed with the department, and a record shall be kept by the department.

History: En. Sec. 6, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 232, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 6, Ch. 497, L. 1975; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2406.

Cross-References

Apprenticeship, Title 39, ch. 6, part 1.

37-69-303. Application -- contents -- requirements. A person, firm, or corporation desiring to engage in or work in the field of plumbing in this state, either as a master plumber or as a journeyman plumber, shall make application to the department by filing a written application stating his place of residence, age, experience, and the place where he has acquired his experience and shall at a time and place designated by the board be examined as to his qualifications for a license.

History: En. Sec. 4, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 230, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 5, Ch. 497, L. 1975; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2404(part).

37-69-304. Qualifications of applicants for journeyman plumber's license -- restriction on authority. (1) The following requirements must be met by applicants for a journeyman plumber's license:

(a) a specific record of 5 years of legally obtained experience in the field of plumbing. This experience requirement may be fulfilled by working 5 years in a major phase of the plumbing business, verified by time or pay records, or by completing an apprenticeship program meeting the standards set by the department or the United States department of labor, bureau of apprenticeship, or credit towards this experience requirement may be given for time spent

attending an accredited trade or other school specializing in training of value in the field of plumbing and approved by the board.

(b) satisfactory completion of an examination prescribed by the board conducted by the department, subject to 37-1-101(4), testing the applicant's knowledge of techniques and methods employed in the field of plumbing and establishing by practical demonstration competence in the special skills required in the field of plumbing.

(2) A licensed journeyman plumber may perform work only in the employment of a licensed master plumber unless otherwise permitted by rule of the board.

History: En. Sec. 2, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 186, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 228, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 497, L. 1975; amd. Sec. 22, Ch. 101, L. 1977; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2402(2), (3); amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 10, L. 1991; amd. Sec. 19, Ch. 196, L. 2003; amd. Sec. 116, Ch. 467, L. 2005.

37-69-305. Qualifications of applicants for master plumber's license -- restriction on authority. (1) The following requirements must be met by an applicant for a master plumber's license:

(a) evidence of 4 years of experience as a licensed journeyman plumber in the field of plumbing, verified by time or pay records of actual plumbing experience;

(b) evidence of 3 years of experience working with a licensed master plumber or in a supervisory capacity in the field of plumbing, which may run concurrently with the requirement in subsection (1)(a); and

(c) satisfactory completion of an examination prescribed by the board for master plumbers testing the applicant's knowledge of the field of plumbing and demonstrating skill and ability in the field of plumbing.

(2) For purposes of subsection (1), 1 year of experience is 1,500 hours or more of work in a continuous 12-month period.

(3) A master plumber may not allow the master plumber's license to be used by any person or firm, corporation, or business other than the master plumber's own for the purpose of obtaining permits or for doing plumbing work under the license.

History: (1)En. Sec. 2, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 186, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 228, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 497, L. 1975; amd. Sec. 22, Ch. 101, L. 1977; Sec. 66-2402, R.C.M. 1947; (2)En. Sec. 4, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 230, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 5, Ch. 497, L. 1975; Sec. 66-2404, R.C.M. 1947; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2402(part), 66-2404(part); amd. Sec. 5, Ch. 549, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 369, L. 1989; amd. Sec. 20, Ch. 196, L. 2003; amd. Sec. 117, Ch. 467, L. 2005.

37-69-306. Examination -- issuance of license. (1) An applicant for a license to work in the field of plumbing must be examined as to the applicant's qualifications by the department, subject to 37-1-101(4). The department shall examine each applicant for a license to determine the applicant's skill and qualifications as a master plumber or journeyman plumber.

(2) The applicant must, upon successfully passing an examination prescribed by the board, be issued a license authorizing the applicant to engage in the field of plumbing as a master plumber or journeyman plumber in the state of Montana.

(3) In the case of a firm or corporation, the examination and issuance of a license to an individual of the firm or to a principal of the firm or corporation satisfies the requirements of this

chapter as to master plumbers but not as to journeyman plumbers. An individual, firm, or corporation may not do the work of a master plumber unless licensed under this chapter.

(4) In addition to the temporary permits authorized in 37-1-305, the board may, on a case-by-case basis at the board's discretion in accordance with criteria determined by the board, renew a temporary practice permit for a person who fails the first license examination for which the person is eligible.

History: (1), (2)En. Sec. 3, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 16, Ch. 251, L. 1959; amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 185, L. 1961; amd. Sec. 143, Ch. 147, L. 1963; amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 186, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 229, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 39, Ch. 439, L. 1975; amd. Sec. 4, Ch. 497, L. 1975; Sec. 66-2403, R.C.M. 1947; (3)En. Sec. 4, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 230, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 5, Ch. 497, L. 1975; Sec. 66-2404, R.C.M. 1947; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2403(2), 66-2404(part); amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 203, L. 1999; amd. Sec. 118, Ch. 467, L. 2005.

37-69-307. Repealed. Sec. 127, Ch. 467, L. 2005.

History: En. Sec. 5, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 185, L. 1961; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 237, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 231, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 10, Ch. 215, L. 1975; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 541, L. 1977; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2405; amd. Sec. 6, Ch. 549, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 9, Ch. 390, L. 1983; amd. Sec. 51, Ch. 492, L. 1997; amd. Sec. 21, Ch. 196, L. 2003; amd. Sec. 58, Ch. 271, L. 2003.

37-69-308. Deposit of fees and fines. (1) Money paid for license fees under this chapter must be deposited in the state special revenue fund for the use of the board, subject to 37-1-101(6).

(2) Fines collected under this chapter must be deposited in the state general fund.

History: En. Sec. 7, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 144, Ch. 147, L. 1963; amd. Sec. 233, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2407; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 277, L. 1983; amd. Sec. 6, Ch. 402, L. 1999.

37-69-309. Repealed. Sec. 128, Ch. 429, L. 1995.

History: En. Sec. 5, Ch. 661, L. 1985.

37-69-310. Citation and fine for failure to display license. (1) A citation for failure to display a plumber's license or proof of licensure issued by an employee of the department must include:

- (a) the time and date on which the citation is issued;
- (b) the name, address, mailing address, and signature of the person to whom the citation is issued;
- (c) reference to the statutory authority to issue the citation;
- (d) the name, title, affiliation, and signature of the person issuing the citation;
- (e) information explaining the procedure for the person to follow in order to pay the fine or to demonstrate proof of licensure; and
- (f) the amount of the applicable fine.

(2) The applicable civil fines for failing to display a license or proof of licensure are as follows:

- (a) \$100 for the first offense;
- (b) \$250 for the second offense; and
- (c) \$500 for the third and any subsequent offense.

(3) Each day of violation constitutes a separate offense. The person issuing the citation is responsible for determining, by means of an up-to-date list or through telephone or other communication with the board office, whether the citation being issued is for a first, second, or subsequent offense.

(4) The person who issues the citation is authorized to collect the fine, but the person who is issued a citation may pay the fine to the board within 5 business days of the date of issuance. The board may, upon finding that the person has demonstrated acceptable proof of licensure, waive or refund the fine.

(5) A person who refuses to sign and accept a citation commits a misdemeanor, punishable in the same manner as provided in 37-1-318.

History: En. Sec. 8, Ch. 402, L. 1999; amd. Sec. 153, Ch. 483, L. 2001.

37-69-311 through 37-69-318 reserved.

37-69-319. Proof of license -- citation and fine. (1) An employee of a private or public employment agency or labor union, a building code compliance inspector, an employee of the department, a person who is professionally responsible for a job site, or a plumber licensed under Title 37, chapter 69, has the right to ask a person working at a job site doing work that requires a plumber's license to provide proof of licensure. If the person performing the work is unable to furnish proof of licensure, the requesting person may report that fact to the board or the department.

(2) An employee of the department may issue a citation to and collect a fine, as provided in 37-69-310, from a person at a job site where the person is performing plumbing work if the person fails to display a plumber's license or proof of licensure at the request of the department inspector.

History: En. Sec. 2, Ch. 368, L. 1995; amd. Sec. 7, Ch. 402, L. 1999.

37-69-320. License and endorsement discipline. (1) The board may revoke, suspend, restrict, censure, or apply any other disciplinary treatment contemplated by 37-1-136 to any occupational licensee or endorsee under this chapter for any one or more of the following causes:

(a) performance of plumbing work in the field of plumbing that is below the standards established by the Uniform Plumbing Code;

(b) inadequate supervision that causes or allows plumbing work in the field of plumbing that is below the standards established by the Uniform Plumbing Code;

(c) material deceit in procuring, attempting to procure, or aiding and abetting the procurement of an occupational license or endorsement to practice in the field of plumbing;

(d) unfitness to provide services in the field of plumbing by reason of negligence or addiction to the use of habit-forming drugs;

(e) physical or mental incompetence that impairs the licensee's or endorsee's ability to deliver adequate service in the field of plumbing;

(f) willful or repeated violation of this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter or willful or repeated violation of Title 50, chapter 60, part 5, or rules adopted under that part; or

(g) unprofessional practice-related conduct as defined by rules adopted by the board.

(2) Any licensee or endorsee disciplinary action under the jurisdiction of the board must be conducted as a contested case under the provisions of the Montana Administrative Procedure Act.

History: En. Sec. 6, Ch. 661, L. 1985; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 221, L. 1995.

37-69-321. Repealed. Sec. 8, Ch. 661, L. 1985.

History: (1)En. Sec. 8, Ch. 203, L. 1949; Sec. 66-2408, R.C.M. 1947; (2)En. Sec. 8, Ch. 251, L. 1959; amd. Sec. 10, Ch. 497, L. 1975; Sec. 66-2419, R.C.M. 1947; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2408, 66-2419.

37-69-322. Repealed. Sec. 128, Ch. 429, L. 1995.

History: (1), (2)En. Sec. 9, Ch. 251, L. 1959; amd. Sec. 238, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 11, Ch. 497, L. 1975; Sec. 66-2420, R.C.M. 1947; (3)En. Sec. 11, Ch. 251, L. 1959; amd. Sec. 239, Ch. 350, L. 1974; Sec. 66-2422, R.C.M. 1947; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2420, 66-2422.

37-69-323. Restrictions on and responsibility for employees of master plumber. A licensed master plumber may employ only apprentice plumbers registered with the state department of labor and industry and only journeyman plumbers who are licensed by the state of Montana. A master plumber is responsible for assuring that all work performed by such employees is in compliance with the state plumbing code.

History: En. Sec. 2, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 186, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 228, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 497, L. 1975; amd. Sec. 22, Ch. 101, L. 1977; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2402(part).

Cross-References

Apprenticeship, Title 39, ch. 6, part 1.

37-69-324. Penalty. A person who works at the field of plumbing or maintains or conducts a plumbing business or an individual who connects or disconnects plumbing from a public water or sewer system in violation of any provisions of this chapter or at a time when he is not exempt from the provisions of this chapter pursuant to the provisions of a duly enacted and subsisting ordinance of a city or town is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof in any court of competent jurisdiction, is guilty of a misdemeanor. However, this chapter may not be construed to apply to or affect plumbing or pipefitting as indicated in the 37-69-102 exceptions.

History: En. Sec. 11, Ch. 203, L. 1949; amd. Sec. 4, Ch. 185, L. 1961; amd. Sec. 7, Ch. 497, L. 1975; amd. Sec. 23, Ch. 101, L. 1977; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2411; amd. Sec. 7, Ch. 661, L. 1985.

Cross-References

Misdemeanor defined, 45-2-101.

Criminal responsibility and accountability of corporations, 45-2-311, 45-2-312.

Misdemeanor penalty when none specified, 46-18-212.

Part 4
Medical Gas Piping

Part Cross-References

Adoption and publication of rules, Title 2, ch. 4, part 3.
Board of plumbers, 2-15-1765.

37-69-401. Medical gas piping installation endorsement. (1) A medical gas piping installation endorsement entitles the holder to install pipe used solely for transporting gases used for medical purposes.

(2) To be eligible for endorsement under this section, a person must meet all requirements for endorsements established by the board by rule.

(3) A person with a valid medical gas piping installation endorsement from another state may install medical gas piping in this state.

(4) The board shall by rule establish the requirements for obtaining a medical gas piping installation endorsement.

History: En. Sec. 1, Ch. 221, L. 1995; amd. Sec. 119, Ch. 467, L. 2005.

37-69-402. Requirements for installation of medical gas piping. (1) After April 1, 1996, a person may not install pipe used solely to transport gases used for medical purposes unless the person holds a valid medical gas piping installation endorsement pursuant to 37-69-401.

(2) A violation of this section is punishable pursuant to 37-69-324.

History: En. Sec. 2, Ch. 221, L. 1995.

37-69-403. Proof of endorsement. (1) A state or local government plumbing code compliance inspector shall, as part of any inspection, request proof of medical gas piping installation endorsement from any person who is required to hold an endorsement under 37-69-402 or who, in the inspector's judgment, appears to be involved with onsite medical gas piping activity. The inspector shall report any instance of endorsement violation to the inspector's employing agency, and the employing agency shall report the violation to the board.

(2) An employee of a private or public employment agency or labor union, a person who is professionally responsible for a job site, or a person who holds a medical gas piping installation endorsement under Title 37, chapter 69, has the right to ask a person doing work on the job site that requires an endorsement to provide proof of endorsement. If the person performing the work is unable to furnish proof of endorsement, the requesting person may report that fact to the board or the department.

History: En. Sec. 2, Ch. 486, L. 1999.